

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Chippewa Fresh Start YouthBuild is an approved Pre-Apprenticeship Program which provides education, employment skills and career direction for at-risk young adults by involving them in the construction of a new house. When completed, the house is sold to an income-eligible family in the community.

During the course of the program, the young adults gain valuable skills, perform community service, and prepare for post-secondary education and/or careers. The most important goals of the project are to build self-esteem and help young adults become self-sufficient.



## HOW TO ENROLL

Chippewa Fresh Start YouthBuild is run jointly by three organizations in three locations.

Contact any location for more information, or apply online at [www.WorkforceResource.org](http://www.WorkforceResource.org)



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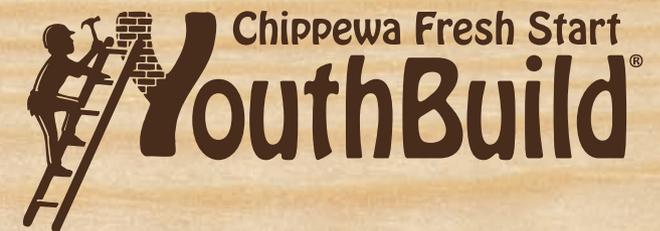
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## THE PARTICIPANTS

The young adults who participate in the Chippewa Fresh Start YouthBuild program are ages 17 to 24 and may have a variety of barriers to self-sufficiency: a lack of education, poor work histories, alcohol or other drug dependencies, incarceration and law violations.

Seventy-five percent of program participants have dropped out of high school or are struggling to finish school. As stated in the program name, they're looking for a fresh start.



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Participants work together for 28 hours each week (Monday - Thursday) and over the course of one year, they will be involved in every phase of new home construction. In addition to this hands-on learning experience, part of each day is devoted to education. Participants will complete classes leading to a high school diploma, GED, or HSED.

Fresh Start also provides the resources and support needed to stay on the road to success including leadership development, substance abuse education, motivation, health and nutrition training, independent living skills, career planning and job search assistance.



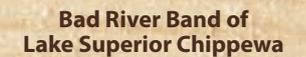
## THE OUTCOME

These young adults, their families and the entire community benefit from the program.

Upon successful completion of a 900 hour AmeriCorps term, each participant will receive a Pre-Apprenticeship Certificate from the Home Builders Institute (HBI), and an AmeriCorps educational award. The goal is for each young adult to be fully employed or enrolled in post-secondary education when they leave the program.



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